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St. George's M.E. Church Worton Point Rd.
Worton, MD 21678

1880

St. George's M.E. Church was built and dedicated in 1880. It is a clapboard building standing 23' from the west side of Worton Point Rd. in rural Kent County. The building is 26' across the front and 36' long. The Church faces east. Although the building is still in use it is in deteriorated condition and leans to the right. St. George's M.E. Church is the oldest black church in this area of Kent County. Built 15 years after the Civil War it has remained the family church for many black watering and farming families.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

HISTORIC				
HISTORIC	St. George's M.E.	Church		
AND/OR COMMON				
LOCATION				
STREET & NUMBER South of	Worton Point Rd.	n St. James Newtow	n Road	
CITY, TOWN	Worton		congressional district First	
STATE Maryland			COUNTY Kent	
CLASSIFIC	ATION			
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESI	ENTUSE
DISTRICT	PUBLIC	_XOCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	UNOCCUPIED	COMMERCIAL	PARK
X STRUCTURE	ВОТН	WORK IN PROGRESS	EDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESID
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	_INDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTAT
OWNER OF	FPROPERTY	NO	MILITARY	OTHER
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CONDITION

_EXCELLENT _GOOD _X _FAIR CHECK ONE

__UNALTERED

CHECK ONE

XORIGINAL SITE 1980

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

St. George's ME Church was built and dedicated in 1880. It is a clapboard building standing 28' from the west side of Worton Point Rd. The Church faces east. The building is twenty six ft. across the front and 36' long. Although, the building is still in use it is in a deterioated condition and leans to the right (north). The entrance has 4-panel wooden doors (not original) with 5 colored glass lights above (blue & red). The building is gable-ended (east-west). The entrance way 8' in depth and rises to the front gable of the church, forming a short gabled dormer. This entrance has a diamond shaped window (clear-plastic-backed) 12' above the entrance.

The church has two 8' 2-over-2 clear glass windows in the front facade (not original). There are two of these windows on each side of the body of the church (also not original). These windows have been backed with some type of marblelized plastic material.

PERIOD

__1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

__PREHISTORIC __ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC __1400-1499 __ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC __1500-1599 __AGRICULTURE __1600-1699 __ARCHITECTURE __1700-1799 __ART __COMMERCE

__COMMUNICATIONS

__COMMUNITY PLANNING
__CONSERVATION
__ECONOMICS

__ENGINEERING

__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT

__EDUCATION

__INDUSTRY

__INVENTION

__LAW
__LITERATURE
__MILITARY
__MUSIC

__PHILOSOPHY __POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

X_RELIGION __SCIENCE

__SCULPTURE

__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN

_THEATER

__TRANSPORTATION
__OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES 1880

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

St. George's ME Church is the oldest black church in this area of Kent County that remains unaltered. Built 15 years after the Civil War it has remained in its rural community the family church for many black watering and farming people. This part of the State is predominately Methodist. Usually, Methodist Churches are abandoned when the congregation outgrows their faucility. This Church remains because of the loyalty of its members and its place in the history of the area.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA	
ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY	
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION	
LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STAT	E OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES
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ORGANIZATION Maryland Commission on Afro-American	DATE
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
20 Dean Street	269-2893 STATE
CITY OR TOWN Annapolis	Maryland

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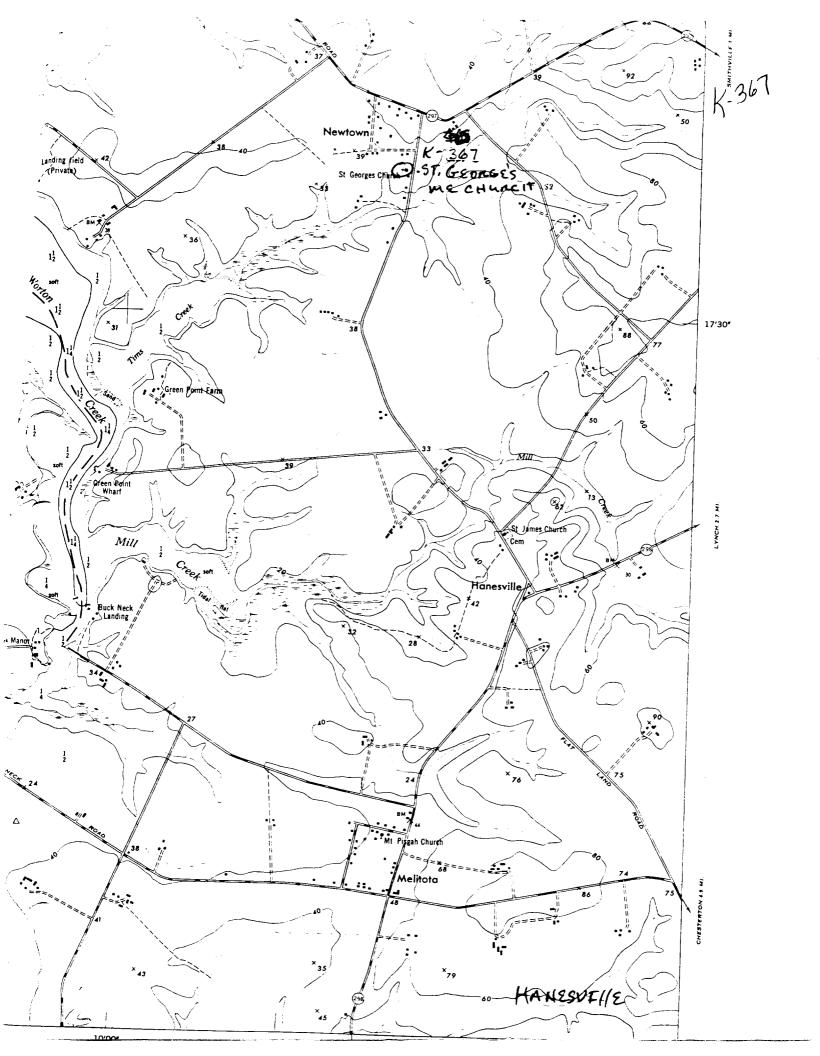
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